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COMMENTS: SOURCE TO D.D. ADRIAN MASON AT SOE RE THIS. HE STATES THIS MATTER HAS BEEN A SEMI-PUBLIC ISSUE AT DUNSTON SINCE MRS. FATHER PEARSON IS AT THE HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL, POWER RD. DUNSTON. ALL THESE ALLEGATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE ANONYMOUSLY AND MASON STRONGLY RECOMMENDS WE TAKE NO ACTION ON THIS MATTER UNLESS/UNTIL A COMPLAINANT IS IDENTIFIED. THEIR ONLY OFFICE AT THIS TIME IS TO FRONT PEARSON OR SHERMAN WITH THE ALLEGATIONS AND THEY ARE EXTREMELY UNWILLING TO DO SO.

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VICTORIA POLICE

6/12/90

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From ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER (Crime)

To..... S/O A/C OPERATIONS.

1. The attached cover letter alludes to offences of indecent assaults on children in "E" Dist, Doveton.
2. For information and appropriate attention

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D/Sgt 19389
A/SO of A/C Crime

Copies to: Truth-Police-HSV.7. Previous copies to:Police;HSV.7.

Well nothing has eventuated from the previous letter about the Priest Searson from Doveton who is molesting the children in the confessional among other things.

Would seem that you would sooner sweep it under the carpet irrespective of what happens to the children now or in the future.

Well perhaps it may be better to wait until something more drastic happens.

Wonder why you haven't made some form of enquiry like trying to locate the Principal (Sleeman) who tried, and had a break down as a result, believe he is in Gippsland somewhere and still on work care and attending "shrinks". The Priest must have you all bluffed or is it that you don't want to bring the Church down.

It is the action of an individual, not the Church.

Will you wait and dismiss the claim as false this time or put it aside until some parent goes along and shoots the bastard.

Make some enquiries you fools, ask a few questions of the teachers why Sleeman left, ask Sleeman himself, speak to some parents about the matter. There is more there than what you may think.

